

of all, all the automakers in America who hit the 200,000 cap, this was a new lease on life for them—the IRA, selecting it, and I would quote, and I am going to read again from Mary Barra, who is the CEO of General Motors:

[The] [d]irect sourcing [of] critical EV raw materials and components from suppliers in North America and free-trade-agreement countries helps make our supply chain more secure, helps us manage cell costs, and creates jobs.

Now, that is one of our largest manufacturers of automobiles in the United States of America. If she thinks it is good for her company, if she thinks it is good for the American citizens and the car buyers in America, then it should be good enough that the bill should be implemented the way it was intended to. What we are going to do is reestablish ourselves: major manufacturing; not being reliant; superpower of the world—maintain that; have the energy sources; use our fossil, clean as anywhere in the world, for the next 10 years, as we are investing \$369 billion for the new technology of carbonless or carbon-free energy. Then that is leadership. That is what the world needs. That is what the world expects from the United States, and if we are going to maintain this world power, be the superpower of the world, we must maintain that leadership.

And it is tough at times, but we can do it. We have always done it.

I yield the floor.

I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### MEASURE READ THE FIRST TIME—S. 184

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I understand there is a bill at the desk, and I ask for its first reading.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will read the bill by title for the first time.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 184) to amend chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, to provide that major rules of the executive branch shall have no force or effect unless a joint resolution of approval is enacted into law.

Mr. DURBIN. I now ask for a second reading, and in order to place the bill on the calendar under the provisions of rule XIV, I object to my own request.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Objection is heard.

The bill will be read for the second time on the next legislative day.

#### UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGREEMENT—READING OF WASHINGTON'S FAREWELL ADDRESS

Mr. DURBIN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that notwith-

standing the order of the Senate of January 24, 1901, the traditional reading of Washington's Farewell Address take place on Monday, February 27, 2023, immediately following the prayer and reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### APPOINTMENT OF SENATOR LANKFORD TO READ WASHINGTON'S FAREWELL ADDRESS

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The Chair, on behalf of the Vice President, pursuant to the order of the Senate of January 24, 1901, as modified by the order of January 31, 2023, appoints the Senator from Oklahoma, Mr. LANKFORD, to read Washington's Farewell Address on Monday, February 27, 2023.

#### MORNING BUSINESS

##### ARMS SALES NOTIFICATION

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. President, section 36(b) of the Arms Export Control Act requires that Congress receive prior notification of certain proposed arms sales as defined by that statute. Upon such notification, the Congress has 30 calendar days during which the sale may be reviewed. The provision stipulates that, in the Senate, the notification of proposed sales shall be sent to the chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

In keeping with the committee's intention to see that relevant information is available to the full Senate, I ask unanimous consent to have printed in the RECORD the notifications which have been received. If the cover letter references a classified annex, then such annex is available to all Senators in the office of the Foreign Relations Committee, room SD-423.

There being no objection, the material was ordered to be printed in the RECORD, as follows:

DEFENSE SECURITY  
COOPERATION AGENCY,  
Washington, DC.

*Chairman, Committee on Foreign Relations,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: Pursuant to the reporting requirements of Section 36(b)(5)(C) of the Arms Export Control Act (AECA), as amended, we are forwarding Transmittal No. 23-0A. This notification relates to enhancements or upgrades from the level of sensitivity of technology or capability described in the Section 36(b)(1) AECA certification 17-65 of April 4, 2018.

Sincerely,

JAMES A. HURSCH,  
*Director.*

Enclosures.

TRANSMITTAL NO. 23-0A

Report of Enhancement or Upgrade of Sensitivity of Technology or CAPABILITY  
(Sec. 36(b)(5)(C)), (AECA)

(i) Purchaser: Government of Spain.

(ii) Sec. 36(b)(1), AECA Transmittal No.: 17-65.

Date: April 4, 2018.

Implementing Agency: Army.

Funding Source: National Funds.

(iii) Description: On April 4, 2018, Congress was notified by Congressional certification transmittal number 17-65, of the possible sale, under Section 36(b)(1) of the Arms Export Control Act, of seventeen (17) CH-47F cargo helicopters with customer-unique modifications, twenty-one (21) Common Missile Warning System (CMWS) AN/AAR-57A(V)8, and forty-two (42) Embedded Global Positioning System (GPS) Inertial Navigation System (INS) (EGI). Also included were mission equipment, hardware and services required to implement customer-unique modifications, communication, Aircraft Survivability Equipment (ASE), and navigation equipment including AN/ARC-231 Multimode radios, AN/ARC-201D SINCGARS radios, AN/ARC-220 High Frequency (HF) Radio, Identification, Friend or Foe (IFF), AN/AAR-57A(V)8, and the Radar Signal Detecting Set (RSDS), AN/APR-39A(V)1, special tools and test equipment, ground support equipment, airframe and engine spare parts, technical data, publications, MWO/ECPs, technical assistance, transportation of aircraft and training, and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total case value was \$1.3 billion. Major Defense Equipment (MDE) constituted \$900 million of this total.

This transmittal notifies the addition of the following MDE items:

—One (1) CH-47F Cargo Helicopter with customer-unique modifications;

—Two (2) Common Missile Warning Systems (CMWS) AN/AAR-57A(V)8

—Two (2) Embedded Global Positioning System (GPS) Inertial Navigation Systems (INS) (EGI)

Also included are equipment and services to support the new CH-47F cargo helicopter, as well as support the upgrade/remanufacturing of the previously notified, seventeen (17) cargo helicopters from CH-47D to CH-47F configuration, to include: mission equipment, hardware and services required to implement customer-unique modifications; communications equipment: Aircraft Survivability Equipment (ASE) and navigation equipment including: AN/ARC-231 Multimode radios, AN/ARC-201D SINCGARS radios, AN/ARC-220 High Frequency (HF) radios, Identification Friend or Foe (IFF), AN/AAR-57A(V)8, and the Radar Signal Detecting Set (RSDS); AN/APR-39A(V)1; special tools and test equipment; ground support equipment; airframe and engine spare parts; technical data; publications; Modification Work Order/Engineering Change Proposals (MWO/ECP); technical assistance, transportation of aircraft and training; and other related elements of logistics and program support. The estimated total value of the new items is \$913 million, but will not cause an increase in the total estimated program cost. The total estimated case value will remain \$1.3 billion with MDE remaining \$900 million of this total.

(iv) Significance: This notification is being provided as the additional MDE items were not enumerated in the original notification. The proposed sale will support Spain's capability to strengthen its homeland defense and deter regional threats. This additional aircraft will also enhance Spain's commitment and contribution to NATO in providing a Combat Aviation Brigade.

(v) Justification: This proposed sale will support the foreign policy and national security of the United States by improving the security of a NATO ally which is an important force for political stability and economic progress in Europe. It is vital to the